authorities; if so, since when and reasons for making inordinate delay in taking a decision;

(c) the date of allotment in case the land has been allotted to M.C.D.;

(d) whether Government propose to make this particular allotment keeping in view of the difficulties being faced by the residents and their small kids who are to go to Indian Airlines Colony at a distance of more than one kilometer of hilly track, and

(e) if so, by when and it not, what are the reasons?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI DALBIR SINGH): (a) No

(b) to (e) Requests for allotment of land to MCD for primary school received from Bhartiya Samaj Kalayankari Sansthan and Parliamentary and General Pool Residents Welfare Association, on 13-7-87 and 30-7-87 respectively are pending examination of various aspects such as availability of land, land use, existance of structures/encroachments, clearance from concerned authorities, etc The matter can be finalised on merits after the due formalities have been completed

Advertisements to regional languages publications

3808. SHRIMATI KRISHNA KAUL: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that according to a study conducted by the Afforestation Research Group, English language publications get maximum advertisements followed by Hindi language publications; and

(b) if so, the steps Government propose to take to give more advertisements to regional language publications?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI AJIT PANJA): (a) and (b) Government is not aware of any such report. However Government advertisements are issued to various English and language newspapers keeping in view the publicity requirements and availability of funds.

Cansellation and restoration of allotments of LIG flats Retired/Retiring Government Servants

3809. SHRI KAILASH PATI MISHRA: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the allotment of the LIG flats of some of the retired/retiring Government servants who had paid partial or full price had recently been cancelled and in some cases the same have been restored by the D.D.A., if so, what are the reasons therefor;

(b) the number of the requests for restoration of allotment is pending with the D.D.A.;

(c) whether the D.D.A. had assured the allottees of handling over possession of the flats; if so, what are the reasons that this assurance is not being fulfilled; and

(d) whether option was not taken from the allottees before the allotment about the mode of payment; if so, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI DALBIR SINGH): (a) LIG flats allotted to retired' retiring Government servants who had not made the payment within the stipulated period stand automatically cancelled as per terms & conditions. However, a decision has been taken that in such cases where the payment has been made by 11-7-87 and allottees are willing to pay restoration and watch & ward charges, their allotment will be restored.

(b) Four.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) No, Sir. The mode of payment was decided by draw of lots and 50 per cent allotments were made on hire purchase basis and 50 per cent on cash down basis

Conditions for issue of Caste Certificates to Scheduled Castes/Scheduled Tribes

3810. SHRI PRAMOD MAHAJAN: Will the Minister of WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) what are the conditions for issue caste certificates to Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes;

(b) whether the Government of Maharashtra have asked the Central Government to modify these conditions; and

(c) if so, what are the details thereof and action taken by Government in this regard?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF WELFARE (SHRI GIRIDHAR GOMANGO): (a) The conditions laid down for the issue of community certificates to the Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes are given in the statement (*See* below)

(b) and (c) It would be risky to issue caste/tribe certificate to the migrants merely on the basis of affidavits in support of their claims, as suggested by the Maharashtra Government instead of following the existing procedure of issuing such certificates, i e after proper verification through the State of origin

Statement

1 *General* (Applicable in all cases)

Where a person claims to belong to a Scheduled Caste or a Scheduled Tribe by birth it should be verified:—

(i) that the person and his parents actually belong to the community claimed;

(ii) that this community is included in the Presidential Orders specifying the Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes in relation to the concerned State

(iii) that the person belongs to that State and to the area within that State in respect of which the community has been scheduled;

(iv) if the person claims to be a Scheduled Castes, he should profess either the Hindu or the Sikh religion;

(v) if the person claims to be a Scheduled Tribe, he may profess any religion.

2 *Cases of migration* ....

(i) where a person migrates from the portion of the State in respect of which his community is scheduled to another part of the same State in respect of which his community is not scheduled. he will continue to be deemed to be a member of the Scheduled Caste or the Scheduled Tribe, as the case may be in relation to that State;

(ii) where a person migrates from one State to another, he can claim to belong to a Scheduled Caste or a Scheduled Tribe only in relation to the State to which he originally belonged and not in respect of the State to which he has migrated.

Trade transactions in Edible Oils

3811 SHRI PARVATHANENI UPENDRA: Will the Minister of FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government had recently decided to restrict the number of trade transactions in edible oils